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Dear Allen:

I wish to express my deep appreciation for the very useful intelligence support that the Operations Coordinating Board has been receiving from the Central Intelligence Agency. Repeatedly I have noticed that important operational items coming before the OCB for consideration are anticipated by penetrating intelligence analyses prepared by the Agency. This excellent linkage between the Agency and the OCB is a result of the commendable joint efforts by our officers to cooperate wherever possible in improving our over-all effectiveness.

The intelligence regarding Soviet that is being furnished by the Agency in the form of annexes to OCB Reports is particularly helpful. It has been instrumental in the production of improved OCB Reports by the various working groups.

This close support of the Board's activities by the Central Intelligence Agency enables the Board to make more effective decisions on the difficult operational problems confronting it.

Sincerely yours,

Elmer B. Staats Executive Officer

The Honorable Allen W. Dulles Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington 25, D. C.

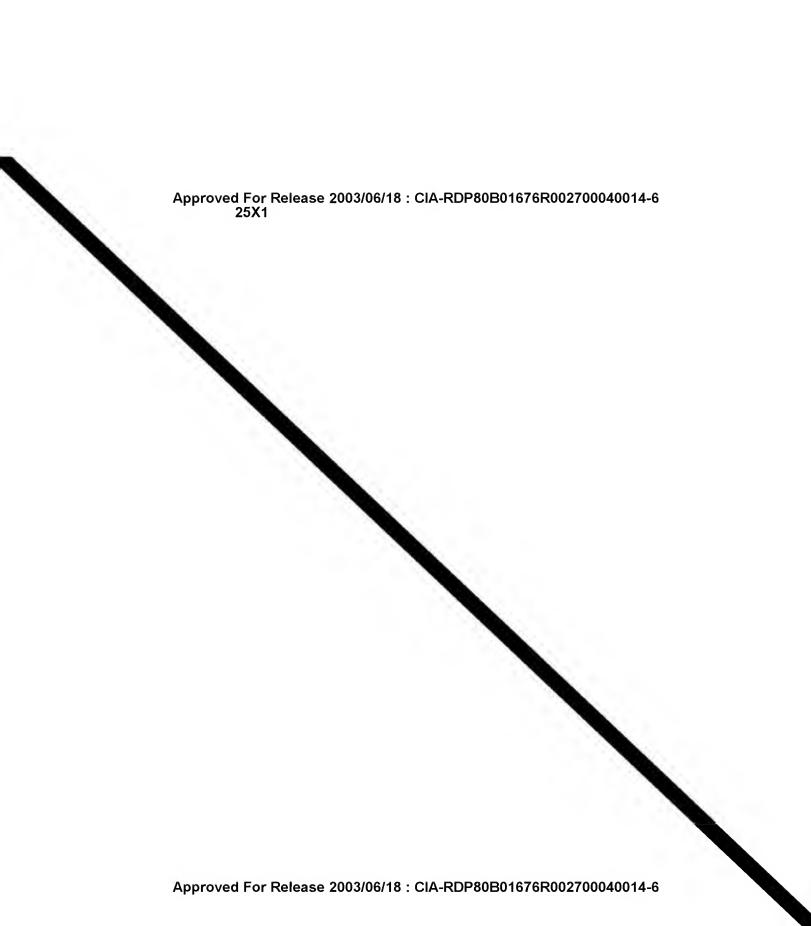
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